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Honoseble Levis L. Strenss

United States Atomic Energy Commission Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Levis:

Thank you for your good letter of March 29 inviting me to witness one of the shots during the forthcoming Spring tests.

I should very much like to go but am not sure at the moment that my schedule this Spring and Susmar vill enable me to get many for the required 15 days. I would appreciate it if I can take this under consideration and let you have a definite answer a little later on when I can be more positive.

Sincerely,

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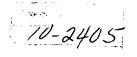
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## ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

March 29, 1958

Dear Allen:

On behalf of the Commission and Department of Defense I wish to invite you to witness one of the shots of our nuclear test series scheduled for this Spring. For each such series, we attempt to provide for senior individuals having responsibility for our national security, an opportunity to see a test and our operations in the Proving Ground.

The first of the test detonations should occur in late April. Others will be fired as soon thereafter as the device can be ready and proper weather conditions occur, with the last of the shots in June or July. We shall arrange for Special Air Mission aircraft to leave Washington periodically during the series, travel to the Proving Ground, and then, after a reasonable time, return. The expected total time away would be on the order of 15 days.

Should it be possible for you to plan on witnessing a test, I can have one of my officers contact you or your staff to discuss details. The officer concerned is Captain Kenneth F. Musick, USN, telephone HAzelwood 7-7831, Extension 4007 or 4186. I hope that you will call on him if we can assist you.

So that we may finalize plans for the official observer program, I request early advice as to whether or not you may be able to attend.

Sincerely yours,

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Honorable Allen W. Dulles Director of Central Intelligence

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CAN THIS NOW GO TO FILE OR SHALL WE PUT IT IN SUSPENSE FOR SOME LATER DATE?

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